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For:

PROCESS FOR PREPARING WATER-SOLUBLE OR WATER-DISPERSIBLE POLYETHER-CONTAINING POLYMERS AND THE Use THEREOF AS AND/OR FILM-FORMING EXCIPIENTS COATING AGENTS, BINDERS IN PHARMACEUTICAL DOSAGE FORMS OR PACKAGING MATERIALS OR AS ADDITIVES IN COSMETIC, DERMATOLOGICAL OR HYGIENIC

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Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231 TECH CAN DE TOUR DE LES PROPRIOS DE LA PROPRIO DE LA PROPR

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION PRELIMINARY SUBMISSION

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.114 which is filed in response to the final Office action of October 09, 2002. For further prosecution, kindly enter and consider the following preliminary amendment and remarks:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

IN THE CLAIMS:

Amend the claims as indicated in Appendix I attached to this paper. A clean copy of the claims as herewith amended is found in the attached Appendix II.